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REF: A. CARACAS 5014, B. STATE 132915, C. STATE 131746

1. WE ARE INTERESTED IN PURSUING THE PROPOSAL PUT TO YOU BY LAURIA AND FIGUEREDO (AND BY THE LATTER WHEN HE WAS HERE IN MID-MAY--REF B) TO HAVE CONSULTATIONS ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC ISSUES WHICH, INTER ALIA, MIGHT IMPROVE U.S. PARTICIPATION IN VENEZUELAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

2. DURING MUCH OF JUNE AT LEAST TWO PROBABLE PRINCIPAL PARTICIPANTS FOR OUR SIDE WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. IN ANY EVENT, WE THINK IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE FOR DAS RICHARD
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ARELLANO AND AN APPROPRIATE DAS FROM COMMERCE TO VISIT CARACAS IN T;E VERY NEAR FUTURE SO YOU AND HE MIGHT EXPLORE VENEZUELAN THINKING FURTHER AND THUS MAKE THE FIRST MEETING AS PRODUCTIVE AS POSSIBLE.

3. WHAT APPEARS TO BE APPROPRIATE TIMING FROM YOUR VANTAGE POINT? OUR PREFERENCE IS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. VANCE

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